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SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events - National

Police: Man Swinging a Machete Shot at New Orleans Airport

(AP) A man sprayed wasp killer and swung a machete at TSA agents and passengers at the New Orleans international airport before an officer shot the man several times as people frantically scrambled away, authorities and passengers say. Richard White, 62, approached the airport security checkpoint Friday evening, pulled out a can of the insecticide and began spraying both agents and several passengers standing in line before he then drew a large machete from the waistband of his pants, Jefferson Parish Sheriff Newell Normand said. After running through the detector, White was chasing a female TSA agent when Lt. Heather Slyve of the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office drew her weapon. White continued to swing the machete as she approached, and she fired three rounds, striking him in the face, chest and leg, according to Normand. White, who was wounded, was taken into surgery at a hospital overnight, Normand said. There was no immediate update early Saturday on White's condition. Normand said investigators were trying to determine what White was doing at the airport. He said it did not appear that he was trying to get on a plane.

2 in Toronto-NYC Train Terror Plot Found Guilty

(AP) Two men could spend the rest of their lives in prison after being found guilty of several terror-related charges for plotting to attack a passenger train traveling from New York to Toronto. Prosecutors had argued during the trial that the men were motivated by Islamic extremism and spent months plotting to kill as many people as they could. Investigators said the men received guidance from members of al-Qaida, in what they called the first known attack planned by the terrorist network in Canada. Raed Jaser, a longtime resident of Canada of Palestinian descent, and Tunisian-born Chiheb Esseghaier were arrested in 2013. Jaser, 37, and Esseghaier, 32, had pleaded not guilty. On Friday, the 10th day of deliberations, the jury found both men guilty of conspiring to commit murder in association with a terrorist group. The men, who will be sentenced April 10, could face maximum punishment of up to life in prison. The investigation surrounding the planned attack was part of a cross-border operation involving Canadian law enforcement agencies, the FBI and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events - International

Suicide Bombers Kill 137 in Yemen Mosque Attacks

(Reuters) Suicide bombers killed at least 137 worshippers and wounded hundreds more during Friday prayers at two mosques in the Yemeni capital Sanaa, in coordinated attacks claimed by Islamic State. The attacks on mosques used by supporters of the Shi'ite Muslim Houthi fighters who control the city were the deadliest in a years-long campaign of violence in the country, where Washington has been waging a drone air war against a local branch of the Sunni Muslim militant group al Qaeda. Four bombers wearing explosive belts targeted worshippers in and around the crowded mosques. State news agency Saba, which is controlled by the Houthis, put the death toll at 137 and the number of wounded at 357. Badr mosque was hit by two bombers and two others struck a second mosque. A fifth bomber was killed when he tried to attack a mosque in Saada province, a northern Houthi stronghold, but the device went off prematurely, a security source told Reuters. In Washington, the White House condemned the bombings and said it could not confirm that the attackers were affiliated with Islamic State.

Mass Grave Found in Former Boko Haram-held Town in Nigeria

(CNN) Troops from Niger and Chad discovered a mass grave with more than 90 decomposed bodies near a northern Nigerian town recently retaken from the Islamic militant group Boko Haram, security sources from both countries said Friday. The corpses, some of them beheaded, were found in a shallow mass grave under a bridge just outside the Nigerian town of Damasak, near the border with Niger, the sources said. Troops from Niger and Chad took back the town from Boko Haram last week during a joint operation, the security sources said. Damasak is in Borno, one of several northern states inhabited by the Islamist militant group. Borno is in the northeast corner of Nigeria and borders Niger, Chad and Cameroon. Boko Haram has terrorized northern Nigeria regularly since 2009, attacking police, schools, churches, mosques and civilians. It has kidnapped students, including more than 200 schoolgirls who were abducted in April 2014 and remain missing. The group, its naming meaning "Western education is forbidden," has said its aim is to impose a stricter form of Sharia law across Nigeria.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Weather of Concern

• No significant Weather Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Mainly dry conditions are expected today with a few isolated showers possible. On Sunday afternoon a stronger front will bring rain farther south. From Sunday night through Wednesday, rain and mountain snow is expected as a series of systems moves through the area. High pressure and dry conditions will return for the remainder of the week.

Medford Weather:

Light precipitation over the mountains of Northern California and far southwestern Oregon through tonight. A cold front is due on Sunday and then a second front and associated surface low is forecast for Monday evening into Tuesday. This will bring precipitation with dropping snow levels and a good potential for mountain snows Sunday night through Tuesday. Once precipitation moves out of the area late Tuesday, high pressure will return to the region, keeping the forecast dry and temperatures at or above seasonal normal.

Reno Weather:

A spring storm system will bring strong and gusty winds along with increased chances for rain and snow Sunday afternoon through Monday. Higher elevation passes in the northern Sierra may be snow covered Monday morning. Light showers may linger in Northern California and Nevada through Tuesday. This will be followed by much warmer and drier conditions the rest of the week.

San Francisco Weather:

Daytime temperatures will trend downward through Monday as a series of storm systems impact Northern California. As a result, light precipitation will be possible across the North Bay tonight and will likely spread southward Sunday night when a stronger system approaches the region. A warming and drying trend will return Tuesday and continue through the latter half of the week.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

A cooling trend is expected into early next week as a couple systems pass through the area. A weak system exits the forecast area today followed by a stronger system Sunday into Tuesday that will bring another chance of precipitation to most of Northern California. Dry and very warm weather is forecast again for the second half of next week.

Hanford Weather:

Dry weather and above normal temperatures will continue through the weekend. A weak storm system will brush the northern portion of the area with precipitation possible mainly over the southern Sierra Nevada Sunday night through Monday. Dry weather and above normal temperatures will return on Tuesday and continue through the end of the next week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

A weak upper level trough will bring cooler weather this weekend with an increase in night through morning low clouds west of the mountains. A dry frontal system will move through the region late Sunday followed by gusty northwest to north winds in some areas Sunday night through Monday night. Upper level ridging will bring a warming trend next week with well above normal daytime temperatures Wednesday through Friday.

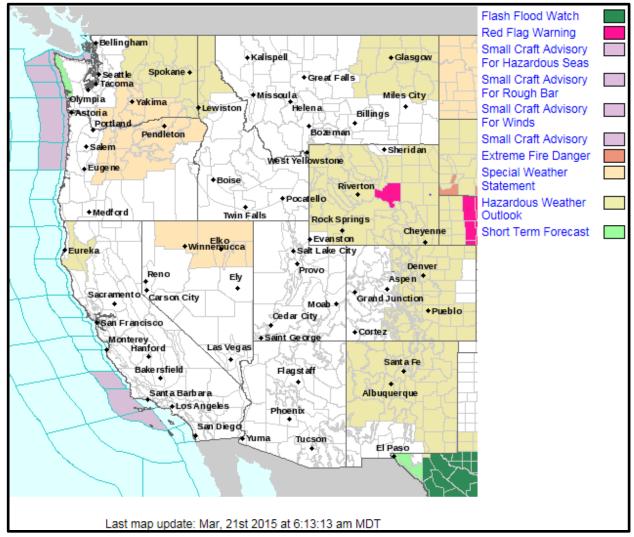
Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

High pressure will weaken with a weak trough of low pressure moving inland through California on Monday. This will bring stronger onshore flow with a cooling trend, more night and morning coastal low clouds and fog, and gusty west winds in the mountains and deserts. Slow warming for Tuesday and Wednesday, then much warmer for Thursday and Friday with high pressure aloft and surface high pressure over the Great Basin bringing gusty northeast winds near the coastal foothills at times.

Southeast California Weather:

High pressure will slowly build across the region this weekend resulting in mostly sunny skies and increasing temperatures. A weak storm will bring an increase in clouds and slightly cooler temperatures to the region by the middle of next week; otherwise, the weather will be uneventful for the upcoming week.

STATE WEATHER MAP





FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Mono County

• Site sampling and hazardous materials recovery of the affected properties began 03/14/15. Cal Recycle to begin debris removal operations 03/23/15.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a monthly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Cal OES Regional (Inland, Costal, Southern) conference calls continue to occur on a bi-weekly basis.
- Cal OES Region/Recovery Call frequencies will change on an as needed basis.

CAL OES MISSIONS

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

• 2015-LAW-9018, 3/18/15 1329 hours: Solano County Sheriff requested 2 HRD dogs for a continuation of a search from 2013. The location of the search is in Vacaville CA. Cal OES Canine Coordinator is working on the request. Search scheduled for 3/25/15 at 0900. Mission Ongoing.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.